



Portland Main Street hosts small business seminar July 19

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PORTLAND - The Economic Revitalization Committee of the Portland Main Street program will be hosting a roundtable discussion on utilizing the tools and resources of the United States Small Business Administration (SBA) on Tuesday, July 19, at 1 p.m., at Portland City Hall.

This event -- which is open to all small-business owners, potential small-business owners, and local entrepreneurs -- will focus on the various tools available through the SBA for small businesses. Experts from the Small Business Administration, the Michigan Small Business and Technology Development Center (MI-SBTDC), and area banks will be on hand to answer questions and provide examples that will help to demystify the process of working with the SBA.

"The SBA offers many great programs that small business owners can use to help their businesses," said Portland Main Street Manager Patrick Reagan. "However, a lot of business owners feel that the process can be really overwhelming or just too difficult to utilize. The Economic Revitalization Committee wants to assist local small business owners in navigating this process,

and that is why we are bringing in these experts."

This roundtable discussion is presented by the Portland Main Street program in conjunction with the Michigan Small Business and Technology Development Center.

Although the July 19 presentation is free to the public, space is limited. To register and reserve your seat for this event online, go to the MI-SBTDC website at www.misbtdc.org. For more information or to register by phone, please call the MI-SBTDC offices at (517) 483-1921.

The MI-SBTDC is partially funded by the SBA. All MI-SBTDC programs or co-sponsored programs are extended to the public on a non-discriminatory basis. Arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made by the MI-SBTDC, if requested at least two weeks in advance.

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